## GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Services - Prohibition and Excise Department - Liquor tragedy occurred in Kandukuru (M), Maheswaram, R.R. District during 8.1.2009 to 15.1.2009 - Disciplinary proceedings against Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, Proh. & Excise Inspector and I/c. S.H.O, P&E Station, Maheswaram, R.R. Dist. - Charges - Imposition of penalty of stoppage of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect - Imposed - Orders - Issued.

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## REVENUE (VIGILANCE-V) DEPARTMENT

## G.O.Rt.No. 1177

Dated:24.08.2010

Read the following:-

- 1. From the C.PE, Letter Cr. No. 1/2009/C.PE/Sr.I, Dated 5.3.2009.
- 2. G.O.Ms.No.955, Revenue (Vig.V) Dept. Dt:9.9.2009.
- 3. G.O.Rt.No.1335, Revenue (Vig.V) Dept. Dt:9.9.2009.
- 4. From Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, P&E Inspector, written statement of defence dated 23.09.2009.
- 5. From the C.PE, Hyd. Letter Cr. No.1/2009/ C.PE/SR.I, Dated 19.6.2010.

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## ORDER:

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that (4) deaths occurred in Kandukuru (M) Maheshwaram Excise Jurisdiction, Ranga Reddy District during the month of January, 2009 and 80 persons were reported to have been hospitalized in the tragic incident. Government, after considering the report and the seriousness involved in the matter, have initiated common disciplinary proceedings against the responsible P&E personnel for their gross negligence in conducting checks and detecting the illegal sale of adulterated toddy in the jurisdiction of P&E Station, Maheswaram under rule 24 of A.PC.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991, vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above. Accordingly, in the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, the following charge was framed against Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, Proh. & Excise Inspector, ES Task Force, Saroornagar and I/c. S.H.O of Maheswaram, R.R. District with a direction to submit his written statement of defence:

Charge: that the said Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, Prohibition & Excise Inspector, I/c. S.H.O, Maheshwaram has exhibited gross negligence in conducting proper checks and failed to detect illegal sale of adulterated toddy in his jurisdiction, which led to death of (4) persons and hospitalization of (80) persons at toddy shop, Jaithwaram and other villages of Kandukur Mandal on 7.1.2009. Thus he has exhibited gross negligence towards legitimate duties.

2. In the reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above, Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, Prohibition & Excise Inspector has submitted his written statement of defence and he has stated that the former S.H.O, Maheshwawram was went on leave due to certain complaints and that he was kept as incharge of the P&E Station, Maheshwaram

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from 8.12.2008. He has stated that within a short time, he has made efforts to increase the Government revenue by conducting ID raids and seized ID liquor & arrested persons etc., He has further submitted that he has not committed any irregularity and there is no lack of supervision on his part. The individual, while submitting certain details of his achievements, has finally requested the Government to drop the charge against him.

- 3. In the reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above, the Commissioner, Proh. & Excise, Hyderabad has submitted a report on the written statement of defence of the individual along with his remarks.
- 4. Government have examined the matter and observed that it is not a case of loss of revenue to recoup and it is a loss of human life. In this tragic incident, 4 persons lost their lives and 80 persons were reported to be hospitalized. As per the material available, Government further observed that the main accused Sri N. Yadaiah in his deposition dated 3.2.2008 recorded after the incident, has also admitted that he has established an illegal toddy depot in Kandukur. Thus, Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, P&E Inspector & I/c. SHO, Maheshwaram is responsible for not conducting proper checks / raids and also detecting the illegal sale of adulterated toddy and due to this gross dereliction of official duties 4 persons lost their lives.
- 5. Government, after careful examination of the matter and also the reasons mentioned at para 4 above, have decided to impose a penalty of stoppage of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect against Sri T. Mahipal Reddy, P&E Inspector.
- 6. Accordingly, Government hereby impose the penalty of stoppage of two annual grade increments without cumulative effect against Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, P&E Inspector, I/c. SHO, Maheshwaram, R. R Dist., under clause (iv) of rule 9 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991.
- 7. The Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise, Hyderabad shall take further action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri R. Mahipal Reddy, P&E Inspector

<u>through</u> the Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise, Hyderabad The Commissioner, Prohibition & Excise, Hyderabad.

(He is requested to serve the same on the individual and return the acknowledgment copy)

Copy to:

PS to Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue Department. The Revenue (Excise I) Department. SF/SC.

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SECTION OFFICER.